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House Resolution 667

By: Representatives Gardner of the 57th, Hill of the 180th, Manning of the 32nd, Buckner of the 130th, Frazier of the 123rd, and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending Sylvia Russell upon being recognized by the Women's Legislative Caucus; and
- 2 for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, March is Women's History Month, and the Women's Legislative Caucus,
- 4 chaired by Representative Cecily Hill, Representative Pat Gardner, and Senator Valencia
- 5 Seay, endeavors to recognize women in Georgia who have achieved top positions in their
- 6 fields as a salute to all women leaders in business; and
- 7 WHEREAS, in 2009, one of the women being recognized by the Women's Legislative
- 8 Caucus is Sylvia Russell, president of AT&T Georgia; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Ms. Russell holds a bachelor's degree from Rutgers University and received her
- 10 Juris Doctor from Rutgers School of Law; and
- 11 WHEREAS, in her more than 15 years with AT&T, Ms. Russell has held various positions
- 12 with the company, including serving as vice president, AT&T External Affairs, Southeast
- 13 region, responsible for all public policy within the nine-state Southern region; senior attorney
- 14 for AT&T's government markets business unit; general attorney, supporting AT&T's entry
- 15 into the local telecommunications market; and vice president of Law and Government Affairs
- 16 for the Southern Region; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Ms. Russell also serves in community and corporate leadership positions in
- 18 Georgia, including as a director on the Board of the State Technical College System of
- 19 Georgia, as a member of the Board of Directors and Executive Committee for the Georgia
- 20 Partnership for Excellence in Education, and as a member of the Board of Directors of the
- 21 Commerce Club, the Metropolitan Atlanta United Way, and the Georgia Chamber of
- 22 Commerce, where she chairs the Committee on Health Care Policy; and

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23 WHEREAS, she is married to Herman J. Russell, Sr., and they have four sons and a

- 24 daughter.
- $25 \quad NOW, THEREFORE, BE\,IT\,RESOLVED\,BY\,THE\,HOUSE\,OF\,REPRESENTATIVES\,that$
- 26 the members of this body join to commend Sylvia Russell upon being recognized by the
- Women's Legislative Caucus and to extend their sincere best wishes for success in all of her
- 28 future endeavors.
- 29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 30 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Sylvia Russell.